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At his Sales Rooms,
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20 Bales American HAY.
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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their sales room, Queen's Road,
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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at No. 2, *Prohit Terrace*, on
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The delivery at the *Daily Press* from this office commenced on Wednesday morning at 10.15, and the last newspapers left the office at 10.35.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, April 7th, 1870.

EVERYWHERE is given an article from the *Alta California* upon the subject of Chinese labour in the United States, which forms a satisfactory evidence of the progress of liberal ideas upon this important question. It is shown very distinctly that the advent of Chinese cannot but be beneficial even to the very men, who, full of prejudice and annoyed at the competition which the advent of the Celestial has made with their immediate opportunities for work, are unable to see that the result of the labour against which they are raising an outcry, is to increase, not to diminish, the opportunities for the employment of white labour. It is somewhat curious to find the same question being argued from precisely opposite points of view in China and America. While every endeavour is being made to induce the Chinese to adopt a liberal policy with respect to foreigners, and to impress upon them the advantages they must gain by the advent of foreign trade, capital and labour, a very different view of the same subject is taken, when it is feared that the Chinaman will interfere with the opportunities of labour enjoyed by the white man. It is, however, clear that, in the latter case, more liberal views are slowly, but surely, asserting themselves, and it may safely be argued that the time will not be so far distant as has been anticipated, when similar enlightened views will assert themselves in China. It can scarcely be imagined that western nations will be willing to grant freedom and protection to the Chinese resorting to their shores, without the privileges be reciprocated; and, the number of Chinamen resident abroad becomes increased, the grounds for our demanding extended facilities for trade and intercourse with this country must be proportionately augmented.

It is a matter of congratulation that the London merchants, in pressuting their memorial on the subject of the Convention for the revision of the Treaty, have set forth, with singular accuracy the true bearings of a question, which has attracted considerable attention both in Hongkong and in the Treaty Ports, namely, that of internal navigation and residence in the interior for legitimate purposes of trade. As compared with brilliant results which were anticipated, the effects of the extension of the Treaty port system by the Treaty of 1858, were somewhat unsatisfactory as to lead to grave doubts as to whether the accession of further facilities for trade in the interior would be beneficial either to China merchants or to the general interests of foreign commerce in these ports. It was found that, instead of obtaining produce at lower rates, higher prices had to be paid when the foreigner found his way to the producing marts, while with respect to imports although an undoubted increase took place, it was still questioned whether the natural progress of trade would not have produced the same result if the business of transporting the goods from a few large places of import had been left as before in the hands of the Chinese. Hence it resulted, when Sir Rutherford Alcock asked the opinions of the Chambers of Commerce upon the advisability of opening new ports, that opinions differing very widely were expressed upon the subject. On the one hand, it was thought that undoubted benefit must result from the trade being brought to any new points; while, on the other hand, it was held, and not without plausible reasons, that the restrictions placed upon foreign trade under the present system were of so serious a nature as to make it of little importance whether one or two more Treaty ports were added to those already conceded. In both these views there was a certain amount of truth. It cannot be doubted that, even under such restrictions as exist at the Treaty ports, it is still likely to be beneficial to foreign trade that additional centres should be afforded to it; but this benefit is clearly of a limited nature, and in some instances cannot be obtained, except by diverting trade already established at neighboring places. If the trade could be brought to any points without being subjected to these restrictions, it is clear that great benefit must result, and hence the views of those who held that it would be beneficial to obtain facilities for trade in the interior, while little good would result from additional Treaty ports, are not, as would appear at first sight, by any means inconsistent. The increase of Treaty ports does comparatively little towards carrying the trade inland, and generally diffusing throughout the Empire. So far as Exports are concerned, sufficient facilities already exist, while with regard to Imports, it is certain that the trade can be extended to any distance from the place of importation only by removal of the restrictive duties placed upon the goods in transit. The object of any revision is avowedly to do away with these illegal exactions, and far more will be gained by a single route to an existing Treaty port being cleared of these vexatious imposts, than can be looked for from the opening of additional ports. Experience fully proves that these latter will be imposed so long as the inland trade is left to be conducted by native hands and in native craft. Sir Rutherford Alcock somewhat unaccountably believes the Chinese promise to cease from these levies for the future, on condition of the import duties being raised 50 per cent, notwithstanding that like assurances have been hitherto systematically disregarded. The general body of mercantile men do not place the same confidence in Chinese promises, and actuated by those views they from the first advocated a revision of the Treaty such as would in its nature afford some security for at least a diminution of the evil. If permission were granted for inland navigation in steamers, and residence for trading purposes in the interior of the country, the transit exactions could no longer be made, though it would still be possible to impose taxes on the dealers in the goods at the places to which they were carried. But this much would be obtained: the goods would arrive at the interior mart, which is impossible under the present system, and there would be a limit to the amount of taxes which could be imposed upon Chinese trading bodies resident in these places. In short, foreign trade would be established at all places where there was an opening for it upon a similar basis to that on which it is at present conducted at the treaty ports; while, as the merchant would no longer be restricted to a limited area for residence, it would be unnecessary for him to incur the heavy expences of establishing agencies, which would be necessary under the old system. He would look rather to spreading his trade to a larger number of places by means of resident or travelling agents, than to establishing expensive branches merely to supply a limited district around the spot to which he was permitted to resort; and thus, while trade would receive a vast extension and impetus, the expences attending it would be increased only at the places at which it was found to succeed, and in proportion to the amount of business to be conducted.

Our correspondent, "Tax-payer," is not alone in complaining of the scanty supply of water. The same complaint has been made in a great many directions, and it is really wonderful with what tameness the Community go on paying for water which is not supplied.

It appears that the extraordinary conduct of Commander Rising, of H.M. Gunboat *Midge*, has been the subject of official enquiry by the naval authorities, and has been referred home. Incredible as it may seem, it appears that the action of Commander Rising was precisely as described. The captain of the P. & O. steamer *Ava* refusing to deliver certain stores until full payment of boiling for them was brought to a head, by the agent, the commander of the *Midge* had his gun loaded, and threatened to fire unless the goods were given up, and then proceeded to take the stores away. It is fortunate that the captain of the *Ava* had the good sense not to oppose this mad freak, as if he had done so, it might have caused the most serious consequences. Almost the only possible explanation of the matter seems to be, that the commander of the *Midge* could not have known what he was about at the time.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

April 6th.

BEFORE J. RUSSELL, Esq.

A BOY.

Joseph Williams, a seaman of the British ship *Tybridge*, was convicted of an assault upon the mistress of brothel No. 42, into which he had broken about 2 a.m. this morning for the purpose of taking away one of their friends, who had gone there in a state of drunkenness. Upon being told to go away, or the police would be sent for, defendant struck the constable in the face, who was sent for to remove him, and took his staff away from him; after which he struck another constable, who came to the rescue, with the staff upon his wrist, causing it to swell, and upon a third constable arriving on the scene, at the sound of a whistle, after consenting to leave the brothel with him, he immediately lolled from the door among a crowd, but was re-caught. Prisoner was the worse for liquor, but not drunk. Defendant had nothing to offer in his defence. Fined $5 for assaulting the women, in default fourteen days' imprisonment; and fined $15 for the assault on the police, in default one month's imprisonment.

FALSE ACCUSATION.

Inspector Puddick, in charge of No. 7 Station, brought up a coolie, of Swatow, named Chuy-a-kai, and stated that on the 5th inst., he came to the station, having a man in the custody of a district watchman, whom he charged with having snatched a jacket and pawned it. Upon making enquiry he had found that the defendant had pawned the jacket himself. Loi-shing, district watchman No. 10, stated that he found defendant struggling with another man, and was told by him that this man had taken a jacket from him and pawned it, and in consequence he had taken the man to No. 7 Station. Defendant was searched at the station, and the pawn ticket found in his pocket-pocket. Leung-on, from the Che Cheung-pawn-shop, stated that the defendant came and pawned a jacket, and received from him the ticket produced. He could not identify him as the other man who had pawned the jacket, and from whom he has received the ticket, and fined $10, in default one month's imprisonment.

STEALING TROWSERS.

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LARCENY FROM A TAVERN.

Chun-a-kee, of Namhoi, a water coolie, was convicted of having entered "The Land we Live in," and stolen therefrom two coats, which were hanging upon a door inside the bar, one the property of Peter Peterson, the barman, the other that of a China boy employed in the tavern. Upon the coats being missed, suspicion immediately fell upon a certain man, who had been seen to enter the house by the barman, while walking to and fro outside the house, and the boy, Ung-wing, going in pursuit, found defendant in Lascar Row, in the act of selling the coats to a Chinaman, who stated that he did not deal in such things, however. Defendant was then seized and brought back to the Tavern, and given in custody. Defendant, who stated in his defence that he had found the jackets in the street, was sentenced to three months' with hard labour.

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Defendant stated in his defence that he was the man who struck Nelson on the face, it was not Sergeant who did so, but he did not kick him.

Albert Johnstone, formerly a gaol turnkey, but at present unemployed, stated that he had been sent to Gaol by Mr. May for three months, as a prisoner, on a false accusation. Rebecca Schaffer came with him as his wife, but he did not approve of some little tricks to which she was given. It was the defendant, not Sergeant, who struck Nelson. Fined 30s., or 14 days' imprisonment.

STEALING METAL.

Chun-a-hop, a caulker, was convicted upon the evidence of Sam-a-hang, a watchman in the employ of MacDonald and Co., of having secreted about his person yellow metal, to the value of three mace, and sent to prison for two months with hard labour.

BURGLARIOUS ENTRY.

Mak-a-ko, of Sunuy, a carpenter, was convicted of breaking the back of a house in Sai-lo-lane, the residence of a coolie, named Chan-a-yan, and entering therein. In his defence he stated that he had a house in an alley adjoining, and went to the wrong house by mistake, after which he was made prisoner. Sentenced to six months with hard labour, and ordered to find security for three months in $100.

BEFORE C. MAY, Esq.

PIRACY.

Chun-a-yun, was sentenced to take his trial at the approaching sessions of the Criminal Court, for being concerned in a piratical attack upon a stone ballast-boat, in the vicinityof Hongkong, on the night of the 10th March. Chun-a-yun stated that he did not intend to find security in two householders, each in $100, to be forthcoming in three months, but on further evidence being found, he was again brought up, and committed as above.

Congee hawkers for throwing about their slops and obstructing the thoroughfare; a boy for chopping bamboos on Morrison's Hill; a case of drunkenness in the Sailor's Home; a destitute orphan, deserted by his elder brother, to whom was prescribed a bath and lodging in the Victoria; the master of the Bun Do-kai shop for being without a pass; seven hawkers for selling without a licence; Henry Bloomfield, for celebrating his arrival from Calcutta in liquor of such potency as made him incapable of either taking care of himself, or paying for his conveyance to the central; and a case of out-door gambling, concluded the list of cases.

THE AMATEUR DRAMATIC CORPS.

Miss Fanny Raynor took a farewell benefit last night, supported by Mr. W. Bonnee and the Hongkong Amateurs. The pieces announced for representation were "After the Honeymoon," and the burlesques, "Black-eyed Susan." On the first piece there is no need to say that Mr. and Mrs. Bonnee kept up the animated dialogue with great spirit. It is a light and sufficiently pleasing little comedy, depending for its interest upon the humorous brilliancy of repartee. The voices of both Mr. and Mrs. Bennee were at first pitched rather low, and must have been almost inaudible to some parts of the theatre, but they subsequently rectified the error.

The Burlesque of "Black-eyed Susan" was in every way successful, as almost unqualified success. This absurd *travestie* of the original "Black-eyed Susan" affords a capital opportunity for comic representation. The central figure is, of course, William, who plants admiral discovery by Mr. P. P. Ounge. The acting of this gentleman was more thoroughly hearty and in character than were his dances and songs. The former drew downstairs laughter from all parts of the house, and the horn-pipe had to be repeated. Susan was well played by Miss Raynor, though there was scarcely enough of the comic humour about her to make others laugh. Miss Bonnee put in the hornpipe with "William," and was gracefal and successful on the light fantastic toe. Dame Hatley was a very amusing and very droll representation of Mrs. Jones. She played her rôle with intense comic feeling, which she did not allow to become exaggerated. Capt. Ormstree (Mr. Bennee) was genial when sober, and was full of jovial when drunk. He had a misfortune to be killed by the jealous William, but during the court-martial which results, appears again on the scene. The Lord High Admiral (M. Rolando Le Roy) is deservedly provoked at this conduct, assuring the Captain that there is no flaw in the indictment, and that he is dead in law, and is evidently sorely exercised to know how to proceed. The Admirals consequently draw themselves up in a circle, and declare with the whole force of the Queen's English that "a jolly good fellow, which nobody can deny." The songs which occur in various parts of the piece, and which are deservedly popular, were sung with various degrees of success. Mr. Rodrigues (as Unstuffed), who was suffering from a severe attack of hoarseness, which rendered him unable to give effect to his performances. Mr. Bloomfield Bakery was humorous if not musical, while Shaun O'Pudock Shave, represented by Mr. Oddson, was neither the one nor the other. He scarcely appreciated his character of an Irishman but taken a jacket from him and pawned it, and in consequence he had taken the man to No. 7 Station. Defendant was searched at the station, and the pawn ticket found in his jacket-pocket. Leung-on, from the Che Cheung-pawn-shop, stated that the defendant came and pawned a jacket, and received from him the ticket produced. He could not identify him as the other man who had pawned the jacket, and from whom he has received the ticket, and fined $10, in default one month's imprisonment.

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EXECUTION OF THE PRESIDENT OF HAYTI.

The *New York Herald* gives the following account of the execution of the unfortunate Salnave, late President of Hayti. After the mockery of a trial, which commenced at 3 P.M. on the 15th January, Salnavé was conducted from the Court to an open space in front of the ruins of his palace at Port au Prince, where an excited mob had already assembled to see him suffer:—

"The rosy tints of the sun shining from the sea threw a golden radiance on the ruins, and lightened the upturned faces of the bloodthirsty crowd. A few soldiers stood by the pillars, and held ropes in their hands with which to bind the prisoner to the stake already driven into the ground for the purpose. There was no time lost by the officers having the execution in charge. Placed against the stake, with his back to the still smouldering ruins of the palace, and looking toward the sea, Salnave was speedily bound by the arms and permitted to gaze for a moment on the determined faces of the soldiery and the maddened populace. Then a detachment of infantry, thirty strong, were drawn up within twenty yards of the doomed man, and the order was given to load.

"A profound silence now fell upon the place; the blacks gaped open-mouthed and with glistening eyes as the soldiers rammed down the charges in their pieces and came to the carry. It was expected that Salnave would say something before it was too late, but he uttered never a word, but faced the executioners with unflinching eyes and determined miss. His lips moved once when the order was given to make ready, but it was evident that he did not intend to speak. The soldiers brought up their pieces slowly, and not all together; many of them were clearly more nervous than was Salnave, and would doubtless have preferred to be shooting at some other darky. Finally the word was given, the smoke cleared away, and the wretched prisoner was seen to be pierced in several places, but still alive. He had leaned rather a little on his left side, as if to avoid the shot, but struggled to right himself again. When it was seen that he was not dead a howl went up from the multitude, and the officers came to the bungling soldiers in unmeasured terms. The muskets were quickly loaded again. The order to fire was shouted by the officer in command, and a volume of smoke flew into the faces of the spectators, when it had cleared away Salnave was no more. Riddled in every part of his body by the bullets of the soldiers, his head drooped on his breast, his shattered arms hung helplessly by his side, and the warm blood flowed from his numerous wounds in copious streams.

"The crowd immediately began to move away, and then some soldiers came up with a cart, drawn by two donkeys, and threw the mangled body into it. Half an hour later all that was mortal of the unfortunate Salnave was thrown carelessly into a hole dug for its reception, in an open space about three quarters of a mile outside and north of the city of Port au Prince. The Court had assembled at three o'clock P.M., and at twenty minutes past six Salnave, the ex-President of Hayti, was a corpse."

CHINAMEN AND THE WHITE MASSES.

(Alta Californian.)

The party which desires to expel from our country the Chinamen already here, and to prevent the immigration of others, asserts that the presence of the Asiatics is injurious to the white masses in California. This is the main basis of the hostility to Chinese in California. The complaints against slavery are not only made without regard to the truth, but they come from men who as a class were the advocates of negro bondage; and the complaints about paganism are mingled with pretended fears that does not imply any excess of pure religion.

The assertion of injury to the white masses, if true, would be sufficient to justify opposition to Chinese immigration. The white race has control of the country, and they expect to rule it in their own interest. Ours is a popular Government, managed for the greatest good for the greatest number, which in common with the white masses. The tendency of political philosophy is to level distinctions, to educate and assist the poor multitude rather than the rich few. In California the majority of the rich began life poor, and can never forget sympathize with the class from which they sprung, and to which they may again be reduced by unfortunate speculation. To prove therefore that the white masses are injured by the Chinamen would be equivalent to proving that the Chinamen should be excluded from the right to vote, to be summoned by the whipper-in from a death-bed to a division? Although we point out difficulties which may arise in the midst of labor movements to do their duty by the House and their parishes at the same time, we do not for a moment suppose that the presence of clergymen in the former will not be productive of great good, at all events to their brother members. A more interesting field for their operations than the House of Commons can hardly be imagined.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

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While we were publishing a paper in Brewburg, West Virginia, several years ago, a very singular accident befel a young man there, which we narrated briefly at the time. A few days ago we chanced to meet the hero of the adventure again, and he narrated his adventure at our request. It occurred on the farm of General W. G. Davis, in Greenbrier county, in 1836. We give his story in his own words, as near as we can recollect them:

"I was ploughing on Gen. Davis's farm (a Mr. Davis, said he, ") unmindful of being on interdicted ground, when suddenly the earth seemed to fall beneath me. I saw the horses descending, but was too frightened to let go the plough handles. The pitch of the horses with the earth gave my feet an impetus, and somehow I passed the mouth of one of them in my fall, and so held on instinctively. What I thought when falling I can hardly tell. At any rate, I did some rapid thinking. When I landed I fell on the horses whose name I had hold of, and although the horse was instantly killed, I was merely shunned and confused. On recovering myself I looked up, and the hole I had fallen through looked no small I concluded I must have fallen full 150 feet. My first thought was to call for aid, but I instantly recalled the fact that I was in a place where I was denied to come. Darkness, and there was not the remotest probability that any on shod sent my descent into the earth.

"It was then early morning, and as I had brought out my dinner with me, no one would miss me before nightfall. While going over these facts in my own mind, I heard the rush of water near at hand, and it occurred to me that I might have fallen upon the bed of Sinking creek, which, as you know, falls out but once till it reaches the banks of the Greenbrier river. To my where I was, or to attempt to follow the subterranean passage was the next question. I sometimes took the team to my own tenant stables, and therefore might not be missed for days; so I determined to follow the stream. I waded in it and, judging from its depth of from one to three feet, I concluded it must be the identical Sinking creek spoken of. Leaving my dead companion behind me, I followed the stream. For the most part I had pretty easy work of it, but sometimes I came to a deep place, where I was forced to swim for a considerable distance; again was often precipitated headlong into deep water by the pecliptous nature of the rocky bed of the stream.

"Talk about the darkness of the grave! The grave itself could not have been more impalpably dark than the passage I was following. The occasional rippling of the waters was an inexpressibly dear sound to my ears. Day and night were the same to me. At last, wearied with my efforts, laid down on a comparatively dry rock to rest, and must have slept for hours. When I awoke again I took to the water, carefully ascertaining which way it ran, so as not to lose my labor by retarding my steps. It seemed to me that the farther I went the more difficult progress became. When I had gone perhaps a mile, I came to a place where the archway narrowed so much that I had to crawl on my hands and knees in the water.

"Here was a dilemma I had not looked for. I tried either bank of the river, but found no passage. I could swim under water for a considerable distance, but the distance before me was unknown, and I halted long before making the dangerous venture. At last I concluded that my fate was equally doubtful in returning as in proceeding, and plunged boldly into the current, and soon found that it was so swift in its confined passage that I only needed to hold my breath to go through. In the course of twenty or thirty feet I again got my head above water and took a long breathing spell. Again the archway above seemed to enlarge and the bed of the stream became more even. I speed along comparatively rapidly, keeping my hands outstretched to prevent my running against the jagged rocks. Wearied out, I again laid down and slept soundly in my wet clothes.

"On awakening, I pursued my course down the subterranean stream, and at last, in the long distance ahead, saw a glimmer that looked very bright in the darkness that I was then shut in. Nearing this, I found that it did not increase in brightness, and when I had gone perhaps a mile, I came to another place where my path narrowed to a very tunnel filled by the water. My case was becoming more desperate. I could not possibly retrace my steps, so I submitted myself to the current and was unconsciously overjoyed to find myself rapidly swept toward daylight. Exhausted and half drowned, I crept on upon the land, and was not long in recognizing the objects about me. I had come out on the Greenbrier river, as I knew from the familiar look of Gen. Davis' mill on the bank. On reaching home I found that I had been over 48 hours in making my perilous journey underground."

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The pig is an agitating animal. Whether he is good to eat or not is a problem which has disturbed the ages. Moses thought he wasn't. So did Mahomet. The ancient and eminent authorities have confused their perceptions of the subjects by the careless ingestion of sausage and ham sandwich, and in consequence the pig has achieved a sort of gyrandial toleration. But now and then there is signal vengeance upon his consumers, by causing them to expire of trichiniasis. He therefore affords a demonstration of the wisdom of the Mosaic and Mahomedan interdict. Perhaps he is not fit to eat, after all; perhaps the pork barrel, which is the cornerstone of rustic subsistence in America, is a superstition—a flesh-pot of all loathsome, and dangerous modicum, causing to dyspepsia, hypochondrisis, and the most vexatious maladies which seem so prevalent in this country. We have no claim to speak with authority upon the delicate aspects of the pig, but enough is known about him to justify caution in eating him without cooking his component substance in a radical manner beforehand. It is rather a prevalent German custom to omit this ordinary ceremony, and eat the unclean quadruped raw. It is the German, therefore, whom trichiniasis chiefly affects. Whatever effects properly-cooked pork may ultimately have upon the constitution, it will not communicate trichinæ That unpleasant animalcule is destroyed in the cooking process. The German naturalists ought to stimulate their chinese compatriots of this important little natural and culinary history, and release us from the melancholy duty of chronicling, as we frequently have to do, the decimation of a family or neighborhood by this disease. The latest report of the sort reaches us from Illinois, and the victims were a family of Hollanders, who of course kept up the ancient and perilous custom in which they had been reared at home, of eating their pork raw, who have paid the penalty of that indecent and uncivilized procedure.—*N. Y. World.*

ROUND THE WORLD.

(N. C. Daily News.)

In a recent article on the growing fact ities for travel, the *St. James Gazette* remarks that round the world soon be thought less of, than a journey to Paris was in the olden time. What with Cunard steamers, Pacific railways, and Mr. Stanley's "How I found Livingstone," Canada, and Mont Cenis tunnels, the voyage may now be performed in such comfort and safety that, to any one with a taste for travel, the question is narrowed to one of time and means. The danger and discomfort which used to attend sea voyages, have been in a great degree overcome; and yearly, almost in utility, new improvements and facilities for travel are being introduced. The next example ever since the article to which we have referred, was written, two important measures have been realized—the cutting of the Suez canal, and the creation of steam communication between California and Australia.

The former project has been long under discussion, and a company for the purpose was started. But its accomplishment. The main difficulty, to quote a recent writer, is, of course "the natural feature to which the tribunes first drew attention—the enormous condiliers which unites the Andes with the Rocky mountains, and preserves the continuity of the dorsal ridge of the entire American continent." The water reflows to run up a hill, a mile and a half high, to cross a mountain chain, must be either cut through it at ocean level, or made to ascend one side and descend the other by an artificial staircase composed of locks. Here again, the habits of water interfere. Locks imply a sufficient supply of water to fill them, and that water must come from some higher level still." Another necessity is a full head of water at each end of the canal. A ship cannot sail right into the mouth of a canal as she can into the estuary of a navigable river and, therefore, locks and commodious harbours are essential. Almost every possible point of the isthmus has, from time to time, been surveyed, with a view to ascertain the most feasible line for the purpose to which it is considered. Those of our readers who take interest in the details are already familiar with the result; so we will pass over former schemes to that on which is now occupying public attention, and which appears to commend itself for almost certain adoption. This line crosses the eastern portion of the isthmus, from Chiloumi Bay on the south, to the Gulf of San Miguel on the south coast. Both these inlets possess shelter and deep water, so that one primary desideratum, that of a commodious harbour at either end, is attained. The next consideration is the practicability of the canal route, and this seems also to be admitted. A short literary valley running up from the Atlantic side reaches the summit level to 180 feet, and on the other side are the head waters of the Scudril, a tributary of the Savana, a river which is navigable for considerable distance from its mouth, and which flows into the Gulf of San Miguel. "The work to be done" to quote a writer in the *Fall Mall Gazette*, to whom we are indebted for these particulars, "would consist of a canal of about twelve miles from Caledonia Harbour to the Scudril River, taking advantage of the valley and brook in the Chiloumi mountains. For the next twelve miles, the Scudril River may be canalized, and then fifteen and a half miles of canal would be required to effect a junction with the Savana. This is the sum total of the actual canal work necessary. The collateral works would be trifling, consisting merely of the removal of a few small shoals and rocks, the erection of one or two light-houses, and possibly the dredging of a mile or so of the Savana River." The cost of the work is estimated at $7,000,000 if locks be adopted; or about $10,000,000 if a canal without locks be resolved on.

Turning now to the second point which we mentioned at the outset—a line of steamers between California, Australia and New Zealand, we find a scheme, lately brought to a successful issue from the Melbourne *Argus*, that two companies are in the field. The Californian, Oregon and Mexican steamship Company wish to extend their operations from Honolulu eastwards, to Sydney and Auckland; and proposals have been received from an English Company to establish a line of steamers from Milford Haven to Portland, and another, in correspondence, from San Francisco to Sydney—conveying passengers the entire distance in 40 days for £40 1st class, and £30 2nd class, including all charges. We do not pretend to draw a distinction between the two offers; our purpose is merely to signalise the project,—which, in one shape or other seems almost certain to be carried out—as another instance how rapidly the facilities for travel are increasing. The next thing of which we shall hear, will be a project for steam communication between China and Australia, thus completing the circle and placing both countries in communication with America and with each other. In a few years, men in search of change will be able to go home through the Colonies and the Isthmus of Darien, as readily as they now do via India through the Isthmus of Suez.

RATHER.—At a negro meeting a few nights ago, a worthy brother, whose piety exceeds his learning, rather astonished his hearers by quoting, during an exhortation, from "de plaide of St. Paul to de Canadians."

READY.—The readiness of the Hebrew race in finding specious answers to the complaints of those who deal with them, was never better exemplified than in an instance which lately came to our knowledge. An eating-house keeper of that persuasion sells soup at five cents a basin. A customer, having consumed his bashful, complained that he had not had his money's worth—the soup was bad, and he had found a piece of worsted stocking in it. Issue retorted: "D'ye think we can put bits of silk stocking in soup for five cents a basin?"

DR. TEMPLE AND THE ESSAYISTS.

(Spectator, February 19th.)

The Bishop of Exeter's speech of yesterday week in the Upper House of Convocation, was a very manly explanation of the mistake into which he had been betrayed when he withdrew his name from future editions of "Essays and Reviews." He declared that he did not mean that step either as in any way the expression of his own regret at having participated in the volume, or of blame on any of those who took part in it. He had never been responsible for anything except his own essay, and the statement made at the beginning of the volume that great advantage was to be derived from "the free handling of religious subjects in a becoming and a reverent spirit." He intimated that for this reverent and becoming spirit throughout the volume he did feel responsible, and that he was ready to answer for it, but as to opinions, of course he was in no way responsible except for his own. He maintained that the book had been productive of very great good, though no doubt also of evil. He maintained that it had answered its purpose in enabling young men feel at liberty to express grave doubts which formerly they had suppressed at great peril to themselves. But he thought the book's work was done, and "a thing that might be allowed to Frederick Temple, might not therefore be allowed to the Bishop of Exeter."—We confess we can't see it. It was bad for Frederick Temple to give unlibertity,—if he did give authority,—to any theological tenet he thought false and dangerous, as for the Bishop of Exeter, it is as harmless for the Bishop of Exeter to publish his creed within the same boards as between other and very different creeds as for "Frederick Temple." After all, you can't divide a man into two. The apron and lawn sleeves may come off "Frederick Temple," but the bishop won't come off with them.

A French paper mentions the following curious custom which prevails at Stuttgard, the head-quarters of Wurtemberg. On the afternoon of New Year's Day a sort of fair, or exchange for visiting cards, is held in a public place. All the servants of good houses, and all the commissionaries, meet there, and one among them, mounted on a bench or table calls out the addresses. At each name announced a shoal of cards falls into a basket placed near the purpose, and the representative of the person for whom these cards are intended can pocket his contingent. Each follows in his turn, and in a few minutes hundreds of cards have reached their destination without fatigue to any one. The idea is ingenious and practical.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY EVENING.

There has been a decline in the value of Bengal drug. The following are the ruling prices:—New Patna, $510 to $512½, cash, sellers; sales reported at $507½ cash, one parcel on time; New Patna, 4th sales, to arrive, $510, sellers, on time; New Patna, $505 to $507½, cash, sellers; Old Patna, $505 to $507½, little doing; Old Benares, $525 to $527½, nominal; Malwa, $630 cash, $635 credit.

In Raw Cotton sales consist of 35 bales Calcutta at $20.75 per picul, 100 bales at $20.70, 142 bales at $20, 27 bales at $20.50, 29 bales at $19; total 333 bales. Within the last two days little has been sold in the market for manufactured cotton, but the sale of 8½ lbs. Grey Shirtings, has been effected to the extent of 4,000 pieces, and another of 1,000 pieces, both at 4¾ per piece. Sheetings 16-25 Yarn, 100 bales have been settled at $144 and $142.20, and 7 lbs. T-Cloths have been done in twelves: 750 pieces at $2.25; 2,000 pieces "Hand," at $2.35; and two lots, totalling 4,750 pieces, at from $2.07½ to $2.10. Fine Yarns have also been sales of 200 pieces White Shirtings at $5.10; 200 pieces English Drills, 20 yds., at $3.10; 100 pieces Turkey-red at $2.90; and 50 Grantan Courlets at $15.75. Jute Goods there is nothing to report except 100 piculs Tin at $23.50, 50 piculs Tin Plates at $6, 100 piculs do at $6.40, and 200 piculs at $6.30. The following Straits Produce has also been sold:—Sandalwood, 9,000 piculs at $4.20; Sapanwood, 2,900 piculs at $1.50; Betel-nut, 1,000 piculs at $2.10; and Rattans, 3,850 piculs at from $2.10c to $2.30.

The 3rd optium sale of this year was held on the 7th ultimo, when 2,150 chests Patna and 1,850 chests Benares were sold at the following rates:—Patna sold higher Rs. 1,125, sold lower Rs. 1,115, average Rs. 1,118.2.2; Benares sold highest Rs. 1,070, lowest Rs. 1,060, average Rs. 1,068.13.4. The result shows a decline on the rates of last sale of Rs. 2.12½ per chest for Patna, and Rs. 20.12½ for Benares. There was been little or no fluctuation in the market after the sale. Latest quotations are:—Patna Rs. 1,122; Benares Rs. 1,070 per chest. The *China* and *Glenartney* for the Straits and China carry as under:—

China.—For Hkong	1,409	
Singapore	60	
Penang	3	
S ar Pkong	215	
P. or S'pore	157	
Total	1,784	chts.
Glenartney.—For Hkong	1,240	
S'pore	43	
Penang	22	
Sor Hkong	120	
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Total	1,445	chts.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight, 4/8½ to 4/9
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ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, 3 days' sight, 74
Private, 30 days' sight, 742
ON CALCUTTA.—Bank 3 days' sight 225
" BOMBAY.—Bank, 3 days' sight 225

SHARES.

Hongkong Bank Shares, Old	91	prem.
New	24	prem.
H'kong & W'poa Dock	5	dis.
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Union Insurance Society of Canton	$1,500	prem.
China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares	$1,600	prem.
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Hongkong Hotel Shares	05	dis.
Victoria Fire	$20

A STRONG WILL.

It is wonderful to observe how often the physical ailments to which we are all liable are capable of being overcome by a resolute will. Some of us exercise a stronger power over our own infirmities by steadfastly declining to give way to them; others, again, require the assistance of their brethren or neighbours, who by a severe thump on the back or by throwing a glass of cold water in the face, recall the poor sufferer to life far more speedily and effectually than if a phial of medicine had been administered by professional hands. An interesting example of the occasional efficacy of the unceremonious method of treatment is afforded by the case of Elizabeth Carpenter, who appeared in the prisoners' dock at the Thames Police-court recently. Mrs. Carpenter is an old woman, and has, it seems, been a great invalid for many years. She is subject, she says, to violent attacks of blepharomania, and violent, indeed, as sometimes to produce insensibility. These attacks have been the source of great trouble to her; their nature is not understood by magistrates and jurymen, and consequently poor Mrs. Carpenter has spent much of her time in prison, and on one occasion has even undergone five years' penal servitude. A few days ago this injured and venerable woman was seized with one of her usual attacks in Diamond-row, Stepney. It took the form of stealing a pan, which she obstructed from a shop, taking to her heels with that painful and unnatural speed so often see in blepharomaniacs. The proprietors of the pan started in pursuit of Mrs. Carpenter, who at the moment when they came up to her seemed into the second stage of the disagreeable complaint to which she is liable, viz., insensibility. Dropping the pan, she fell on the pavement in a fit. The deep anxiety which all around her doubtless felt was happily relieved by the scientific yielding to the treatment adopted by a policeman, who, for a wonder, was present. "Now, old lady," said the constable after a time, "don't you come out of 'that fit!' We may imagine the delight of the spectators when she immediately arose and called the policeman an "unfeeling wretch." So completely was she the master of the situation that she committed for trial by the magistrate before whom she was brought. Might it not be advisable to try the effect of this mode of treatment in the case of Ireland? We have often seen a heat for her ailments, but she seems no better. Has not the time almost arrived when we might with propriety, say "Now, old lady, this won't do; come out of that fit?" Even supposing she calls us "an unfeeling wretch," we could bear that, if, like Mrs. Carpenter, she immediately returned to her senses.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

CLERGYMEN IN PARLIAMENT.

It is to be hoped that if Mr. Hibbert's bill for removing the civil disabilities attaching to clergymen of the Established Church of England and Ireland, and rendering them eligible for election as members of Parliament, becomes law, such law will not be allowed to take effect until another law has been passed abolishing the hereditary and public associations. We can conceive few things more calculated to lower a clergyman in the eyes of his congregation than to see him under whom they sat on Sunday while in solemn accents he admonished and advised them, on Monday standing on the hustings, himself in tears, and forgetful of admonition or judicious advice, but for decayed kittens and cabbages—his lucubrations, battered in sandwiches, cloth "a cries and grief to see." Such a scene would be by no means impossible under existing arrangements, and whatever may be the attractiveness of such things from the pulpit to the hustings, he will not, if he is wise, emerge from the former until steps have been taken to shield him from the dangers of the latter. These are other clerical disqualifications will have to encounter which to say the least, will require a considerable amount of tact, if they intend to combine parliamentary with parochial duties. It will go hard with some of them to solicit the vote of a notorious sinner when canvassing. Yet there are, we fear, some hamongst us in this country for which it would be difficult for any one to sit if it were fastidious to ask the support of a notorious sinner occasionally. Indeed, we have been told that in some dioceses and degraded places the whole constituency is composed of nothing else but notorious sinners. Again, will it not be rather awkward for a clergyman, when a member, to be called from the House, during the most important division, to take his place, to attend a sick or dying parishioner, or, *ex officio*, to be summoned by the whipper-in from a death-bed to a division? Although we point out the difficulties which will attend the path of those who attempt to do their duty by the House and their parishes at the same time, we do not for a moment suppose that the presence of clergymen in the House would be productive of great good, at all events to their brother members. A more interesting field for their operations than the House of Commons can hardly be imagined.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

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In a recent article on the growing facilities for travel, the *N. C. Herald* predicted that a trip round the world soon be thought less of than a journey to Paris was in the olden time. What with Cunard steamers, Pacific railways, and P. M. steamers, P. & O. steamers, Suez Canals, and Mont Cenis tunnels, the voyage may now be performed in such comfort and celerity as to make it a mere jaunt. It will go hard, the question is narrowed to one of ways and means. The danger and discomfort which used to attend sea voyages, have been in a great degree overcome; and yearly, almost monthly, new improvements and facilities for travel are being added. For example, even since the article to which we have referred, was penned, two important measures have been resolved on—the cutting of a Darien canal, and the creation of steam communication between California and Australia.

The former project has been long under discussion, and various schemes have been started, for its accomplishment. The main difficulty, to quote a recent writer, is, of course "the natural feature by which the isthmus itself owes its existence—the cordillera which unites the Andes with the Rocky mountains, and preserves the continuity of the dorsal ridge of the entire American continent. As the water refuses to run up a hill, a ship canal, to cross a mountain chain, must be either cut through it at ocean level, or made to ascend one side and descend the other by an artificial staircase composed of locks; and, here again, the habits of water interfere. Locks imply a sufficient supply of water to fill them; and that water must come from some higher level than the sea itself." Another necessity, is a harbour at each end of the canal. A ship cannot sail right into the mouth of a canal as she can into the estuary of a navigable river; and, therefore, safe and commodious harbours are essential. Almost every possible point of the isthmus has, from time to time, been surveyed, with a view to ascertain the most feasible track for the purpose so much deliberated. Those of our readers who take interest in the details, are already familiar with the result; so we will pass over former schemes to the present, now occupying public attention, and which appears to commend itself for almost certain adoption. This line crosses the eastern portion of the isthmus, from Colombia Bay on the north to the Gulf of San Miguel on the south coast. Both these inlets possess shelter and deep water, so that one primary desideratum, that of a commodious harbour at either end, is attained. The next consideration is the practicability of the canal route, and this seems also to be admitted. A short lateral valley running up from the Atlantic side reaches to the summit level to 180 feet, and on the other side are the head waters of the Sucubti, a tributary of the Savana, a river which is navigable for a considerable distance from its mouth, and which flows into the Gulf of San Miguel. "The work to be done" to quote a writer in the *Pall Mall Gazette*, to whom we are indebted for these particulars, "would consist of a canal of about twelve miles from Caledonia Harbour to the Sucubti River, taking advantage of the valley and break in the chain above mentioned. For the next twelve miles, the Sucubti River may be canalized, and then fifteen and a half miles of canal would be required to effect a junction with the Savana. This is the sum total of the actual canal work necessary. The collateral works would be trifling, consisting merely of the removal of a few small shoals and rocks, the creation of one or two light-houses, and possibly, the dredging of a mile or so of the Savana River." The cost of the work is estimated at $7,000,000 if locks be adopted; or about $10,000,000 if a canal without locks be resolved on.

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RATHER.—At a negro meeting a few nights ago, a worthy brother, whose piety exceeds his learning, rather astonished his hearers by quoting, during an exhortation, from "de Book of Revelations, what de Apostle Paul call de Carpdians."

READY.—The readiness of the Hebrew race in finding specious answers to the complaints of those who deal with them, was never better exemplified than in an instance which lately came to our knowledge. An eating-house keeper of that persuasion sells soup at five cents a basin. A customer, having consumed a basinful, complained that he had not had half-penny's worth—the soup was bad, and he had found a piece of worsted stocking in it. Issue retorted, "If you think we can put bits of silk stocking in soup for five cents a basin?"

DR. TEMPLE AND THE ESSAYISTS.

(Spectator, February 19th.)

The Bishop of Exeter's speech of yesterday week in the Upper House of Convocation was a very nicely explanation of the mistake into which he had been betrayed when he withdrew his essay from future editions of "Essays and Reviews." He declared that he did not mean that step either as in any way the expression of his own regret at having participated in the volume, or of blame on any of those who took part in it. He had never been responsible for anything except his own essay, and the statement made at the beginning of the volume that great advantage was to be derived from "the free handling of religious subjects in a becoming and a reverent spirit." He intimated that for this reverent and becoming spirit throughout the volume he did feel responsible, and that he was ready to answer for it, but as to opinions, of course he was in no way responsible except for his own. He maintained that the book had been productive of very great good, though no doubt also of evil. He maintained that it had answered its purpose in making young men feel as liberty to express grave doubts which formerly they had suppressed at great peril to themselves. But he thought the book's work was done, and "a thing that might be allowed to Frederick Temple, might not therefore be allowed to Dr. Temple of Exeter."—We confess we can't see it. It was as bad for Frederick Temple to give authority,—if he did give authority,—to any theological tenet he thought false and hurtful, as for the Bishop of Exeter. It is no harmless for the Bishop of Exeter to publish his creed within the same boards as Bishop Temple's. After such a fashion the cure's dictum is cut into two. The apron and horn sleeves may come off "Frederick Temple," but the bishop won't come off with them.

A French paper mentions the following amusable custom which prevails at Stuttgard, the capital of Wurtemberg. On the afternoon of New Year's Day a sort of fair is opened, and playing cards, is held in a public place. All the servants of good houses, and all the domestic missories, meet there, and one among them, mounted on a table, reads aloud the names and addresses. At each name announced a cloud of cards falls into a basket placed for the purpose, and the representative of the person for whom these cards are intended puts a packet his contingent. Each follows in his turn, and in a few minutes hundreds of cards have reached their destination without fatigue to any one. The idea is ingenious and practical.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY EVENING.

There has been a decline in the value of Bengal drug. The following are the ruling prices:—New Patna, $510 to $512½, cash, sellers; ditto, ditto, selected at $507½ cash, and $510 ditto; New Patna, 4th sales, to arrive, $510, sellers, on time; New Benares, $435 to $437½, cash, sellers; Old Patna, $535 to $537½, little doing; Old Benares, $525 to $527½, nominal; Malwa, $390 cash, $395 credit.

In Raw Cotton sales consist of 35 bales Calcutta at $20.75 per picul, 100 bales at $20.70, 145 bales at $20, 27 bales at $20.50, 29 bales at $19; total 336 bales. Within the last two days little has been sold in the market for manufactured goods. One sale of 10 Grey Shirtings has been effected to the extent of 4,000 pieces, and another of 1,000 pieces, both at $2.87½, "to arrive." In 16-24 Yarn, 100 bales have been settled at $144 and $146.50, and 1 bale T-Cloths have been done as follows:—750 pieces to map 34 inches wide, 750 pieces do. at $6.45, and 200 pieces at $6.30. The following Straits Produce has also been sold:—Sugar, 3,000 piculs at $4.20. Sapan wood, 2300 piculs at $1.60; Betel-nut, 1,000 piculs at $2.10; and Rattans, 250 piculs at $2.10 to $2.90.

The 3rd opium sale of this year was held on the 7th ultimo, when 2,150 chests Patna and 1,850 chests Benares were sold at the following rates:—Patna sold highest Rs. 1,125, lowest Rs. 1,115, average Rs. 1,116.2.2.; Benares sold highest Rs. 1,070, lowest Rs. 1,060, average Rs. 1,065.12.44. The results shown a decline of 30 rupees on the average of last sale of Rs. 1,110.4 per chest for Patna, and Rs. 20.1.2.9 for Benares. There was been little or no fluctuation in the market, and the close of the month with an artificial stagnance composed of looks; and, here again, the habits of water interfere. Locks imply a sufficient supply of water to fill them; and that water must come from some higher level than the sea itself." Another necessity, is a harbour at each end of the canal. A ship cannot sail right into the mouth of a canal as she can into the estuary of a navigable river and, therefore, safe and commodious harbours are essential. Almost every possible point of the isthmus has, from time to time, been surveyed, with a view to ascertain the most feasible track for the purpose so much deliberated. Those of our readers who take interest in the details, are already familiar with the result; so we will pass over former schemes to the present, now occupying public attention, and which appears to commend itself for almost certain adoption. This line crosses the eastern portion of the isthmus, from Colombia Bay on the north to the Gulf of San Miguel on the south coast. Both these inlets possess shelter and deep water, so that one primary desideratum, that of a commodious harbour at either end, is attained. The next consideration is the practicability of the canal route, and this seems also to be admitted. A short lateral valley running up from the Atlantic side reaches to the summit level to 180 feet, and on the other side are the head waters of the Sucubti, a tributary of the Savana, a river which is navigable for a considerable distance from its mouth, and which flows into the Gulf of San Miguel. "The work to be done" to quote a writer in the *Pall Mall Gazette*, to whom we are indebted for these particulars, "would consist of a canal of about twelve miles from Caledonia Harbour to the Sucubti River, taking advantage of the valley and break in the chain above mentioned. For the next twelve miles, the Sucubti River may be canalized, and then fifteen and a half miles of canal would be required to effect a junction with the Savana. This is the sum total of the actual canal work necessary. The collateral works would be trifling, consisting merely of the removal of a few small shoals and rocks, the creation of one or two light-houses, and possibly, the dredging of a mile or so of the Savana River." The cost of the work is estimated at $7,000,000 if locks be adopted; or about $10,000,000 if a canal without locks be resolved on.

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Royal Glenlivet WHISKY.

"La Grand Marque" BRANDY.

Very old BRANDY, Pinet, Castillon & Co.'s brand.

Hodgkinson and quarter Casks COAL ET.

Printing PAPER. Writing PAPER.

ENVELOPES. Pumb LEATHER.

India Rubber Suction and Delivery HOSE.

Canvas Lining. India Rubber PACKING.

Indin Rubber UMBRELLAS.

British MOROCCO. Floor CLOTH.

Sheet LEAD. White Zinc PAINT, Rubbinoke.

Paint OILS, Varnishes.

Steel Fireing SHOVELS.

Ballast SHOVELS. Shingling HATCHETS.

Perforated Sheet ZINC. Turkey HONES.

Step and Dip LOCKS. Square NAILS.

Yellow METAL RODS.

Copper NAILS and ROVES.

Copper THERMOMETERS.

Fahrny's BAROMETERS.

Galvanised PAD LOCKS.

Iron and Brass TIN LOCKS.

" & Rim do. " with furniture.

" Mortice do. "

Sash LOCKS and LATCHES.

Chubb's Patent Fire-proof SAFES and LOCKS.

Wahr's Extra Exhibition CANVAS.

do. Navy Belted do.

English BUNTING.

131 Hongkong, 21st March, 1870.

FOR SALE.

Just received, per "Isles of the South."

BEST Hubbuck's White ZINC PAINT.

" do. LEAD.

" Red do.

" Black PAINT.

" Boiled PAINT OIL.

" Raw do.

" Prussian BLUE.

" Chrome YELLOW.

" UMBER.

" Patent DRIERS.

" Copal VARNISH.

WIRE-ROPE, from 2 in. to 4 in.

For Sale by RUSSELL & Co.

lm 514 Hongkong, 15th March, 1870.

FOR SALE.

1500 TONS best Lump Anthracite COAL, from Pinton Mine, per *Witch of the Wave.* Apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

tf 74 Hongkong, 12th January, 1870.

FOR SALE.

100 BRASS BOILER TUBES, 5 ft. 8 in. long.

Apply to the undersigned.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer and General Commission Agent.

Commercial Sale Buildings, Queen's Road.

tf 486 Hongkong, 10th March, 1870.

J. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE and PORTER.

DAVID CORSAR & SONS' Manchester Navy Bolted } CANVAS.

Long Flax Crown }

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

tf 1130 Hongkong, 11th May, 1867.

SELLING OFF! SELLING OFF!

RETIRING FROM BUSINESS.

MUST BE CLOSED ON 1ST MARCH, 1870.

A. ULLMANN begs respectfully to inform his Friends and the Public of Hongkong, that he is selling off the valuable Stock of Clothing, Fancy Goods, Jewellery, Watches, Chains, Perfumery, and other Articles at Invoice prices, in consequence of his retiring from business. The above stock comprises a fine assortment of new goods, ex late arrivals, also a superior stock of Japanese Ware.

All outst

Extracts.

Rain after Drought.

The lips of Earth, the Mother, were blue;
They gasped through fissure, and crevice and crack;
O, for the fall of the rain!
And the life of the flowers paused: and the wheat
That was rushing up, seemed to droop in the heat,
And its green-green blades they yearned for the sweet.
The sweet, sweet kiss of the rain!

The secular opposite, solemn and still,
The sentinel pine on the edge of the hill,
Watched, but they watched in vain;
And the glare on the land, the glare on the seas;
The glare on the terrace, on lower and tree,
Grew fiercer and fiercer, unrelessly;
O, for the fall of the rain!

The streams were silent, the wells were dry,
The pitiless clouds passed shortly by,
With never a drop of rain.
The priests in the town exhumed a saint,
They passed in procession with prayer and plaint,
But the heavens were cruel, or faith was faint;
Came never a drop of rain.
O, for the fall of the rain!

One night the sky grew ragged and wild,
With a sound like the lisp and the laugh of a child
Fell the first sweet drops of the rain!
Moist lips of the mist the mountain kissed,
And cooled the hot breath of the plain,
The emerald wheat leaped lustily to meet
The welcome kiss of the rain:
And the roses around, as they woke at the sound,
O, beautiful, beautiful rain!

Measuring Star-Heat.

Last year the scientific world hailed with interest the discovery that heat comes to us from beyond the infinite depths which separate our earth from the fix d stars, bringing us a message not less full of interest than that conveyed by the stellar light-rays. It seemed wonderful indeed that any sensitiveness man could devise should enable him to render sensible the heat sent forth on all sides from those distant suns. We know that at mid-day the summer sun pours his beams so fiercely on the earth that we compare their heat with that of a fire near at hand. But we recognize the fact that, even within the known bounds of the solar system, the sensible heat are direct rays can produce is diminished more than a thousand-fold. And knowing this, it seems as though the physicist in Neptune—supposing that inerte world to be the abode of reasoning creatures—must find the problem of some difficulty in the measurement of the warmth received from the tiny sun which rules it s Neptunian day. But the distance which separates Neptune from the central luminary of the planetary scheme sinks into utter insignificance beside the vast gap which lies between that scheme and the nearest of the fixed stars. Seven thousand times farther from the sun than Neptune stands the advanced guard of the stellar host, the famous star which marks the rabat fore-foot of the Centaur. Light and heat from that remote source must distance are reduced fifty-million times more than the solar light and heat which shed their faint rays over the Neptunian ice-fields.

Strange, indeed, and difficult was the problem which had thus been mastered. And yet the lesson taught us was one which in another form we had already learned. We had been able by the aid of a new and wonderful instrument—the spectroscope—to assure ourselves that the stars are suns in all resembling our own. We know that around them many suns pended the vapours of metals which only the fiercest heat can melt, for we saw that the light which came to us from them had been robbed of the waves which those metallic vapours alone have the power of selectively absorbing.

But now a new and more difficult task has been achieved. Astronomy has not been content with the discovery that the stellar host can be felt, but has found the more arduous problem of measuring that heat. Worthy of the task has been the instrument with which it has been undertaken. The great equatorial of the Greenwich Observatory is perhaps unsurpassed by no telescope in the world as regard the optical qualities which the astronomer delights in. Constructed by the same eminent opticians who made both the famous Foulkoun refractor, and the telescope which has done such distinguished service in the cause of science at Cambridge, U.S., and not inferior to either of those observatories in its magnificent range of variety which must characterize the race of living creatures subsisting in the systems of which those stars are the central luminaries.—*Spectator.*

Houses, Lands, Tenements, &c.

TO LET

TO LET—FURNISHED.

TWO ROOMS, opp te H.M. Naval Yard, facing *Queen's Road*. Address X., *Daily Press* Office.
If 923 Hongkong, 1st April, 1870.

TO LET.

THE GODOWN and OFFICE ROOM of our Premises, facing *Wellington Street*, lately occupied by Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
SANDER & Co.
If 814 Hongkong, 31st March, 1870.

TO LET.

THREE ROOMS, with servants' offices, suitable for one or two gentlemen, and a stable suitable for two horses and a carriage, situated in a central and airy position, on the *Caine Road, Rear.*
Address E., care of *Daily Press* Office.
If 939 Hongkong, 24th February, 1870.

TO LET.

(From 1st April next.)

THE Commodious Residence known as Zion House, in Caine Road West, formerly occupied by Capt. Gibson.
For particulars, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
If 488 Hongkong, 19th March, 1870.

TO LET.

From 1st April next.

THE Commodious Residence, in *Arbuthnot Road*, known as No. 1, Woodville Terrace, presently occupied by C. F. Heard, Esq. The House is within five minutes walk of the Clock Tower, and commands an excellent view of the Harbour. Gas and Water laid on.
Also, the Rooms No. 2, Woodville Terrace, with entrance on the 1st May.
For further particulars, apply to
MACEWEN & Co.
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 7th March, 1870. [If 469

TO LET.

HOUSES in *Mosaic Street*, commanding a full view of the harbour. Rents moderate. Apply to
H. L. NORONHA.
If 294 Hongkong, 11th February, 1870.

TO LET.

IN West Terrace, *Caine Road*, Nos 3, 4, and 5, containing Four rooms each. Bath rooms, &c. Rent moderate. Apply to
THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
47, *Wyndham Street.*
If 267 Hongkong, 5th February, 1870.

TO LET.

TWO FLOORS of a HOUSE in *Queen's Road*, well situated.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
If 229 Hongkong, 3rd February, 1870.

TO LET.

FIRST-CLASS Granite GODOWNS, at *Wanchai*, from 12 to 30,000 piculs capacity. Apply to
S. E. BURROWS & SONS.
If 1700 Hongkong, 17th September, 1869.

TO LET.

(With possession on 1st January next).

THE very desirable Business PREMISES, situated the corner of *D'Aguilar Street* and *Wellington Street*, at present occupied by Messrs. A. Boyes & Co. Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
If 2347 Hongkong, 13th December, 1869.

TO LET.

THE commodious Business Premises lately in the occupation of Messrs. Smith, Archer & Co., situated at *Spring Gardens*, and consisting of a large Three Storied Dwelling House containing 22 Rooms, with outhouses and Stables attached; two large dry and airy Godowns, capable of holding 10,000 piculs each, with Offices and Private rooms over the same. The whole having a frontage on the Praya of 210 feet, with use of a private wharf, and a fine view of the harbor.
The house have recently been painted and put in thorough repair.
For further particulars, apply to
GEO. GERRARD.
If 1686 Hongkong, 19th August, 1869

TO LET.

With immediate possession.

THE HOUSE and OFFICES, No. 4, *Gough Street*, lately occupied by Messrs. A. Wilkinson & Co. Apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
If 1957 Hongkong, 13th October, 1868.

TO LET.

With immediate possession.

NO. 4, Pokfuli Terrace, *Bigin Street*. Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
If 1868 Hongkong, 30th September, 1869.

HOUSES TO LET.

IN various parts of Hongkong. A list of HOUSES with *size, locality* and *terms* can be seen at No. 47, *Wyndham Street*.
THOS. W. BARRINGTON.
If 462 Hongkong, 11th March, 1867

TO LET.

THAT commodious family residence in *Bonham Road*, known as "Perspolis," containing 12 Rooms, besides basement story, Bath rooms, Gooch House and Stable, Gas and Water laid on.
Also, Croquet ground, Flower and Vegetable garden. Apply to
THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
47, *Wyndham Street.*
If 1080 Hongkong, 4th June, 1869

TO LET.

(With immediate possession.)

SEVERAL Strong commodious GODOWNS, very conveniently situated on Marine Lot No. 63, between Messrs. Jones Bros & Co.'s premises and Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.'s Wharf.
For Particulars, apply to
A. McLEOD,
At Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
If 829 Hongkong, 26th April, 1869.

TO LET.

(With immediate possession).

THE commodious three storied HOUSE, No. 1, *Wyndham Street*, lately in the occupation of Messrs BONNETT & Co. Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
If 2348 Hongkong, 13th December, 1869.

LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE.

THE Undersigned will undertake to land Cotton, Rice, Goods, and other Merchandize in their own Boats, and to receive the same on Storage in first class GRANITE GODOWNS on moderate terms.
ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.
If Hongkong 4th March, 1867.

TO BE LET.

With Possession on 1st Oct. next.

THE HOUSE and OFFICE, No. 9, *Gough Street*, at present occupied by Messrs. KIRCHNER, HOOPE & Co. Apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
If 1974 Hongkong, 1st July, 1868.

Insurances.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

SECURITY
SHOULD BE THE FIRST CONSIDERATION IN INSURANCE TRANSACTIONS.

THE Directors of the Royal Insurance Company have the pleasure of supplying the following information to the public as evidence of the ample security they afford to their assurers:—

THE CAPITAL

of the Company, available for the purpose of meeting any unusual calamity happening to the Assured, is

TWO MILLIONS STERLING

The amount actually paid up is £288,495. This, with the Accumulated Funds in Hand, makes the invested resources of the Company upwards of ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS, which amount is invested as follows:—

Invested Funds of the Royal Insurance Company, 30th June, 1868.

Rent Property owned by the Company.....	£216,571 11 3
Mortgages on Freehold Property	33,500 0 0
£39,000 Reduced 3 per cent. Consols.....	28,085 1 3
English Railway Debenture Bonds.....	59,090 17 7
First-class English Railway Preferenceand Guaranteed Stocks	333,478 11 11
Loans to Local Authorities of various towns in Great Britain, who have obtained the sanction of the Secretary of State to borrow the amounts.....	145,500 12 6
Bonds of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board.....	62,341 14 8
Bonds of the British and Irish Magnetic Telegraph Co.....	10,000 0 0
Bonds of the Liverpool Corporation.....	5,160 0 0
United States Government Stocks.....	101,330 7 10
Canada Bonds and Canada Dominion Stock.....	31,108 11 6
Short Loans on first-class English Dividend-paying Stocks, with margins from 20 to 50 per cent. on market values...	477,195 0 0
Loans on Security of Life Policies	63,938 8 5
	£1,672,358 16 11

The above is a complete list of the Investments of the Company at the date specified, in addition to which the funds are still further increased, by annuals constantly varying, at different periods, in the hands of the Bankers and the Company's Agents.

At 31st Dec. 1868, these stood at £168,089 2 0

For the satisfaction of the Public, the whole of the Securities belonging to the Company are annually submitted to the careful scrutiny of two independent Auditors, and the following is an Extract from their Report to the last Annual Meeting:—

"The whole of your Books have been Audited every December, every Account, every Voucher, your Bank-book, and every Security—all have been most carefully kept, and there is not one doubtful Security in the whole."

THE ACCUMULATIONS OF THE LIFE DEPARTMENT,

After payment of Losses, Annuities and Expenses, exceeded £1,000,000, and thereof Funds in Hand at the last Quinquennial Valuation, 31st Dec.,

1856		£821,484 15 5
Added to 31st December,	1861...	163,146 7 8
" "	1866...	124,165 7 5
" "	1867...	128,983 5 10
" "	1868...	144,845 12 2

Total Accumulation of the Life Department on 31st December, 1868, exclusive of Shareholders' Capital.....£1,122,975 8 1

The Directors also think it desirable to State that THE BUSINESS OF THE "ROYAL" HAS NEVER BEEN AMALGAMATED WITH THAT OF ANY OTHER COMPANY.

And that the LIABILITY of its Shareholders is UNLIMITED.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents.
2178 Hongkong, 6th November, 1865.

GUARDIAN

FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
No. 11, LOMBARD STREET, LONDON, E.C.
ESTABLISHED 1821.
And empowered by special Acts of Parliament.

Subscribed Capital—£2,000,000 Sterling.

THE Undersigned having been duly appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to take risks against Fire, on the usual terms.
OLYPHANT & Co.
If 2317 Hongkong, 7th December, 1868.

HAMBURG BREMEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding Ten days	½ of the annual rate
Above 1 month, and not exceeding three months	½ do do
Above 3 months, and not exceeding six months...	¾ do do
Above six months the full annual rate.	

WM. PUSTAU & Co., *Agents.*
If 1687 Hongkong, 30th August, 1869.

NOTICE.

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month	½ of the annual rate
Above 1 month but not exceeding.....	⅔ " ¾ do. do.
Above 3 months but not exceeding.....	¾ " ⅞ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.	

A. G. HOGG & Co.,
Agents, Sun Fire Office.
If 676 Hongkong, 6th June, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

UNTIL further notice the following Annual Rates will be charged for Fire Insurance, viz:—

Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from town, and their contents.	½ per cent.
Other Dwelling Houses, and their contents.	½ per cent.
Other Dwelling-Houses used strictly as such, and their contents.	¼ per cent.
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents.	¼ per cent

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents Imperial Fire Insurance Company.
If 864 Hongkong, 7th March, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $60,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored thereon.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
If Hongkong, 24th August, 1864.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine risks at current rates.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
If 471 Hongkong, 8th March, 1866.

PHŒNIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents to the above Companies at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $40,000, on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
If 2026 Hongkong, 9th November, 1868.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON.

INCORPORATED 1859.

CAPITAL £1,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept Marine Risks and issue Policies at current rates.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
If 1351 Hongkong, 7th June, 1867.

Insurances.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
OF
HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST,
A.D. 1720.

HEAD OFFICE IN LONDON
No. 7, Royal Exchange, Cornhill, E.C.
WEST END OFFICE.—*No. 7, Pall Mall, S.W.*

RICHARD BAGSHAW, Esq.—*Governor*
JAMES BLYTH, Esq.—*Sub-Governor*
EDWIN GOWER, Esq.—*Deputy-Governor.*

DIRECTORS.

Nathaniel Alexander, Esq.
John Alves Arbuthnot, Esq.
Henry Bonham Bax, Esq.
Edward Cobb, Esq.
Alfred D. Chapman, Esq.
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Robert Gillespie, Esq.
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John Alex. Hankey, Esq.
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C. F. Robertson, Esq., M.P.
W. Bryce Watson, Esq.
Rostock Peach Wilson, Esq.

SECRETARY.
JOHN LAURENCE, Esq.

THE CORPORATION of the LONDON ASSURANCE have appointed Agents for the issue of Policies for Marine Assurance in INDIA and CHINA as under:—

Bombay—Messrs. EWART, LATHAM & Co.
Madras—Messrs. ARBUTHNOT & Co.
Calcutta—Messrs. MACKINTOSH, STEWART & Co.
Hongkong—Messrs. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Shanghai—Messrs. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Foochow—Messrs. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Mauritius—Messrs. BEYTS BROTHERS & Co.

The undersigned are prepared to issue Policies of the CORPORATION of the LONDON ASSURANCE, payable either here, in LONDON, or any of the above-named Agencies, and also at
Melbourne, Victoria—
Messrs. DALGETY, BRADEWOOD & Co.
Sydney, New South Wales—
Messrs. DU CROZ, NICHOLS & Co.
Hobart Town—
Mr. LAVINGTON ROOFE.
Adelaide, S. Australia—
Messrs. ELDER, SMITH & Co.
Sydney, New S. Wales—
Messrs. FANNING, GRIFFITHS & Co.
Dunedin, Otago, New Zealand—
Messrs. DALGETY, HATTRAY & Co.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
If 119 Hongkong, 23rd January, 1868.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION

LIFE ASSURANCES.

THE Undersigned are authorized to issue Life Policies for sums not exceeding £5,000.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
If 1088 Hongkong, 14th October, 1868.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at Current Rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
If 1088 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above CORPORATION are prepared to grant FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE on the usual terms.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
If 3025 Hongkong, 27th December, 1867.

AMIGABLE INSURANCE OFFICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Office, are prepared to accept MARINE Risks, and issue Policies on any First-class Sailing Vessels or Steamers on the usual terms, payable in case of loss, in China, Singapore, Calcutta, Bombay or London.
ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.
If Hongkong, 8th October, 1868

MERCHANT'S MUTUAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

ENGAGED EXCLUSIVELY IN MARINE INSURANCE.
Paid up Capital—$500,000.00.

THE Undersigned having been duly appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept Marine Risks on the usual terms.
OLYPHANT & Co.
If 1232 Hongkong, 2nd July, 1868.

HONGKONG INSURANCE COMPANY, 1868.

THE undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company, are prepared to issue Marine Policies on the usual terms to the extent of £10,000, on any first class risk.
A. G. HOGG & Co.
If 583 Hongkong, 17th March, 1869.

FORBES & CO.'S CONSTITUENTS INSURANCE COMPANY.

BOMBAY INSURANCE COMPANY

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept Risks on the usual terms.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
If 389 Hongkong, 26th February, 1868.

NOTICE.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE annual rates for Fire Insurance on the various classes of Buildings and their contents will remain as follows until further notice, viz:—

Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses (removed from the town) and their contents.	½ per cent.
Other Dwelling Houses (situated without such removal) and their contents	½ per cent.
Offices and Godowns and their contents.	1 per cent.

Other Risks by Special arrangement.
The following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Policies:—

Not exceeding 10 days	⅛ per cent.
Not exceeding..... 1 month	¼ per cent.
Above 1 month and not exceeding.....	⅜ " ½ do. do.
Above 3 months, and not exceeding.....	½ " ¾ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.	

ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
If 1703 Hongkong, 18th September, 1869.

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding Ten Days	⅛ of the annual rates
Not exceeding 1 month	¼ do. do.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding three months	⅜ do. do.
Above 3 months, and not exceeding six months...	½ do. do.
Above six months the full annual rate.	

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents, Alliance Fire Assurance Company.
If 678 Hongkong, 29th August, 1867.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month ¼ of the annual rate.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding.....	⅜ " ½ do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding.....	½ " ¾ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.	

GILMAN & Co., *Agents,*
North British & Mercantile Insurance Company.
If 698 Hongkong, 7th April 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

Detached & semi-detached Dwelling Houses, removed from town, and their contents. } ½ per cent.
Other dwelling Houses, and strictly as such, and their contents. } ¼ per cent.
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents. } ¼ per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.
If 886 Hongkong, 16th March, 1865.

Insurances.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant POLICIES against Fire on Buildings and Goods, at current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
If 306 Hongkong, 7th February, 1867.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in China for the above INSURANCE COMPANY, are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks at the Current Rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
If 573 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1867.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

POLICIES granted on *Marine Risks* to all parts of the World, at current rates.
In addition to the usual brokerage, this Association returns to the assured *Twenty* per cent. *of its yearly profits*, divided *pro rata* to the net premium contributed.
RUSSELL & Co,
Secretaries.
If 1039 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

BATAVIA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks at current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
If 1622 Hongkong, 1st April, 1865.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.

FOR Insuring Houses and other Buildings, Goods, Wares, Merchandize, Manufacturing and Farming Stock, Ships in Port, Harbours, or Dock, and the Cargoes of such Ships; also, Ships Building and Repairing; Barges and other Vessels on Navigable Rivers and Canals, and Goods on board such Vessels throughout Great Britain and Ireland, and in FOREIGN COUNTRIES, FROM LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE.

The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of £60,000 on any one First Class Risk.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1867.

NOTICE.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agent for the above Insurance Company, is prepared to grant Policies covering Marine risks at Current Rates. Policies can be made payable at all the principal ports throughout the world.
EDW. NORTON,
Agent.
If 240 Hongkong, 3rd February, 1870.

NOTICE.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD INSURANCES, viz:—

Not exceeding 10 days,	⅛ of the annual rate.
Not exceeding 1 month,	¼ do. do.
Above 1 month and not exceeding 2 months...	⅜ do. do.
Above 2 months and not exceeding 6 months...	½ do. do.

ROWARD NORTON,
Agent the Queen Insurance Company.
If 242 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1870.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL—TWO MILLION STERLING.

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